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11. (C) DCM conveyed the main points of reftel demarche to MFA Chef de Cabinet Ferdinando Nelli Feroci and MFA Political Director Giulio Terzi on May 31. Terzi said the MFA had already seen the Secretary's statement, which it read with great interest, and EU High Representative Solana's reaction. The MFA already was working on its own statement of support for the U.S. position, which would also call on Iran to suspend its enrichment and reprocessing activities and come to the negotiating table.

 $\P 2$ . (C) The Ambassador is attempting to reach FM D'Alema and post will report his reaction and the complete text of the MFA statement septel.

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